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- 1. DAIRY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MET MAR 12 TO REVIEW MARKET SITUATION FOR SKIM MILK POWDER.
- 2. EC REPORTED MILK PRODUCTION 5-7 PERCENT HIGHER THIS YEAR THAN 1971/72 DUE MILD WINTER. KNOWN SKIM MILK POWDER STOCKS IN 9 MEMBER STATES ON FEB 15 TOTALED 127,800 MT, OF WHICH 75,200 IN DENMARK, UK AND IRELAND. ADDITIONAL 50-80,000 MT WERE ESTIMATED IN PRIVATE HANDS IN 6 MEMBER STATES. WHEN CHAIR ASKED HOW THESE FIGURES COMPARE WITH 360,000 MT STOCKS REPORTED NEWS MEDIA EC REP HAD NO EXPLANATION. EC ALSO SAID LATEST EXPORT PRICES FOR SKIM MILK POWDER WERE \$51-\$52,100 KG NEW DOLLARS.
- 3. AUSTRALIA ALSO REPORTED IMPROVEMENT WEATHR AND EXPECTED SKIM MILK POWDER PRODUCTION RISE THIS YEAR 102,000 MT ABOUT 8 PERCENT OVER 1971/72. AUSTRALIAN EXPORT PRICES LATELY WERE \$52/100 KG FOB NEW DOLLARS. UNCLASSIFIED

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- 4. COMMITTEE REACHED TACIT AGREEMENT (NO ONE OBJECTED TO ITS CONTINUATION) TO EXTEND LIFE OF ARRANGMENT FOR ANOTHER 12 MONTHS TILL MAY 14, 1974 AND GRANTED JAPAN REQUEST FOR DEROGATION FROM MINIMUM PRICE FOR WELFARE PURPOSES FOR ANOTHER YEAR. NO ONE RAISED NEED INCREASE MINIMUM PRICE FOR SKIM MILK POWDER.
- 5. NEXT MEETING MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SET JUNE 5. RIMESTAD

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